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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL INVITATION TO ENERGY CONFERENCE ACCEPTED BY
NORWAY

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BEGIN SUMMARY. PRIME MINISTER BRATTELI HAS FORMALLY ACCEPTED THE
PRESIDENT'S INVITATION FOR THE FEBRUARY 11 FOREIGN MINISTERS'
CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

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1. THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF PRIME MINISTER BRATTELI'S ACCEPTANCE

LETTER, WHICH WILL BE RELEASED IN OSLO AT 1830 LOCAL TIME (1330 WASHINGTON TIME) JANUARY 15.

2. BEGIN TEXT

JANUARY 15, 1974

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 9, 1974, INVITING NORWAY TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN WASHINGTON ON FEBRUARY 11, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING VITAL ENERGY QUESTIONS.

AS STATED IN THE NORWEGIAN MEMORANDUM OF DECEMBER 21, 1973, THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT IS IN PRINCIPLE IN FAVOUR OF THE INITIATIVE TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARDS PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION WITHIN A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT SECTORS IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY. THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE WORLD'S ENERGY PROBLEMS SHOULD BE SOLVED ON A GLOBAL BASIS, SO THAT THE NEEDS AND THE INTERESTS OF ALL NATIONS MAY BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. IT REGARDS THE PROPOSED MEETING AS FIRST STEP TOWARDS ATTAINING A GLOBAL AND FUTURE-ORIENTATED POLICY FOR RATIONAL EXPLOITATION OF THE WORLD'S ENERGY RESOURCES. ACCORDINGLY, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO BE REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, IF THE PRESENT INITIATIVE ELICITS THE SUPPORT OF THE PARTIES INVITED.

THE GOVERNMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT THE UNITED STATES' INVITATION IS BASED ON A RECOGNITION OF THE URGENCY OF ESTABLISHING A CONSTRUCTIVE COOPERATION IN THIS FIELD TO THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF CONSUMER AND PRODUCER COUNTRIES ALIKE. IT REGARDS IT AS AN IMPORTANT TASK FOR NORWAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO A BROADLY BASED COOPERATION OF THIS NATURE, WHERE PRODUCING COUNTRIES ALSO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART. THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOTED THAT THE COMMUNICATION FROM THE UNITED STATES STRESSES THE VITAL IMPORTANCE OF THE ENERGY PROBLEMS TO ALL CONSUMING COUNTRIES, ALSO TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. IT IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE PROPOSED COOPERATION MUST THEREFORE COMPRISE ALL PRODUCING AND CONSUMING COUNTRIES, AMONG THESE NOT LEAST THOSE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH ARE DEFICIENT IN ENERGY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RESOURCES.

FURTHERMORE, THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOTED THAT THE INTENTION IS TO HOLD AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CONSUMER AND PRODUCER REPRESENTATIVES WITHIN THREE MONTHS. THE GOVERNMENT OF NORWAY HAS THE HOPE THAT THE PROPOSED MEETING IN WASHINGTON WILL PREPARE THE GROUND FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE, AT WHICH ALL THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED WILL MEET TO DEVELOP MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL COOPERATION.

SINCERELY, TRYGVE BRATTELI END TEXT DECON 1/16/74. BYRNE

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